# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HOME AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3360
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TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether cases of trafficking of children from Bengal has been increasing as reported in the `Jansatta` dated March 16, 2008;

(b) if so, the facts and the details thereof;

(c) whether the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has set up a committee to examine the issue of missing children in the country;

(d) if so, whether the NHRC has submitted the report;

(e) if so, the recommendations made by the committee; and

(f) the action taken by the Government on each recommendation?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b): The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) compiles combined information on trafficking of women and children. As per the statistics compiled by NCRB a total 121, 74 and 66 cases of trafficking were registered in West Bengal under the Immoral Trafficking (Prevention) Act, 1956 during the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 respectively, showing a

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir.

(e): A copy of the recommendations/suggestions as contained in Chapter 5 of the report of the NHRC Committee on Missing Children is Annexed.

(f): The recommendations of the Committee were sent to the concerned Ministries/Departments of the Central Government as well as to the State Governments for taking appropriate action.